

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Li *et al.*

Group Art Unit: 1635

Serial No.: 10/574,129

Examiner: Bowman, Amy Hudson

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Docket No.: 180/179 PCT/US

Confirmation No.: 9249

For: NOVEL siRNA-BASED APPROACH TO TARGET THE HIF- α FACTOR FOR GENE THERAPY

AMENDMENT B

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is responsive to the Non-Final Official Action dated December 18, 2008, having an extended term for response that expires on June 18, 2008. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the amount of **\$555.00**, to cover the 3-month extension of time fee for a small entity, to Deposit Account Number **50-0426**.

Favorable consideration is respectfully requested in view of the following Amendment and Remarks.

AMENDMENT

Please amend the subject application as follows: